

From the President's Desk

SA Breeder Harry Perks achieves 3 Stakes Winners all on the one day, led by Attrition winning the GR1 Toorak Hcp.- Congratulations to Harry Perks and Mill Park Stud.

The Following report on Harry's Stakes Winning spree reproduced with kind permission of Inglis Media.

Attrition gives Harry Perks a remarkable day

Talented entire Attrition (Churchill) ensured his breeder Harry Perks enjoyed "the day of a lifetime" when his G1 Toorak Handicap victory gave Perks a third Stakes winner for the day.

Perks thought he was having a good day after his Premier Yearling Sale duo Arctic Glamour (Frosted) and Air Assault (Justify) each secured valuable first black type wins with victory in the Listed Reginald Allen Quality at Randwick and Listed Hill Smith Stakes at Morphettville respectively.

But the main attraction was still to come, with the Mitch Freedman-trained Attrition scoring a maiden G1 win - for both horse and trainer - with a tenacious victory in the Toorak Hcp.

Perks was trackside at Caulfield to witness Attrition's career-defining win.

"It's absolutely fantastic, what an amazing day, to breed three Stakes winners in one day including a G1 is just as good as it gets," Perks said.

"This has got to be my best day ever, or at the very least right up there.

"He's such a fantastic horse Attrition. When he ran 2nd in the [G1] Australian Guineas earlier in the year it was a huge run and really told us he was a G1 horse and we'd been waiting for him to do it again at G1 level and go one better and that's what happened today. It gives you such a thrill.

"I own the mare Queen's Kiss and with Churchill, I just thought the best and fastest son of Galileo, that's the sort of horses I like to breed to."



Attrition - Image courtesy of Racing Photos



Attrition - Premier Yearling Sale Inglis 2021 Image courtesy of Inglis
Lot 266 : Churchill (IRE)/Queen's Kiss

Perks offered Attrition (pictured) through the Mill Park Stud draft at the Premier Yearling Sale, where Freedman bought him for \$180,000.

Mill Park's Chris Watson described today's result as "enormous".

"It was the first year of the Churchills at the 2021 sales and he was right up there this guy, he was very well found and Mitch fell in love with him and was happy to pay top dollar for him," Watson recalled.

"He always had a lot of quality about him and looked like he was going to be an elite 3YO which he was and now he's winning a G1 at four.

"He was a really straight forward yearling for us, a typical 3YO style of horse, lovely athletic action, a vendor's dream yearling to prep for sale."

Attrition became Mill Park's 20th G1 winner off the farm.

Perks' other two Stakes winners Arctic Glamour and Air Assault were both similarly impressive.

Untapped filly Arctic Glamour's Reginald Allen Quality win was a second career victory from just four starts for the 3YO.

Trainers Gerald Ryan and Sterling Alexiou bought Arctic Glamour for \$185,000 at the Premier Yearling Sale, where she was offered by Noorilim Park.

And in Adelaide, Air Assault (Justify) relished the step up to the 1800m of the Listed Hill Smith Stakes, careering away for the easiest of wins.

The Andrew Gluyas-trained 3YO had not raced beyond 1400m prior to today but showed he was a progressive middle-distance-and-beyond galloper, scoring a 3.3 length win.

The Hill Smith Stakes has proven a successful lead up to the G1 Victoria Derby in years past, a race Air Assault may now target.

Air Assault is also a graduate of the Premier Yearling Sale, where he was offered by Stonehouse Thoroughbreds.

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STRONG POLITICAL SUPPORT FOR THE THOROUGHBRED INDUSTRY

Our voice has been heard loud and clear by a gathering of over 40 Members of Parliament, Senators and Industry representatives at a well attended event addressing many facets of the Thoroughbred Industry on Monday 16 Oct at Parliament House.

Co-hosted by Thoroughbred Breeders Australia and the Parliamentary Friends of Primary Producers, the event was a fantastic celebration of the thoroughbred industry and drew strong bipartisan support.

Please follow link for the full story.

<https://www.tbaus.com/2023/10/17/strong-political-support-for-the-thoroughbred-industry/>

40th Anniversary of the Movie Pharlap

It was a "Show & Tell" meeting when the legendary South Australian jockey John Letts caught up with Phar Lap movie star Tom Burlinson at the Capri Theatre recently.

Lettsy who won two Melbourne Cups (Piping Lane & Beldale Ball) showed Tom his replica Cups and chatted about the great PHAR LAP who won the Cup in 1930 and went on to be a hero to a nation.



The film is celebrating its 40th Anniversary with a special screening at the Capri Theatre on Sunday 19th November at 2.30pm. The screening will feature a live appearance and Q&A session with Tom as well as a meet and greet with the audience.



John Letts & Tom Burlinson

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